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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of: ) Atty. Docket No.: CUMM:183  
William J. Jones )  
Douglas U. Mennie ) Examiner: Phuoc Tran  
Application No: 08/833,095 ) Group Art Unit: 2721  
Filed: April 4, 1997 )  
For: Method And Apparatus For Discriminating )  
And Counting Documents )

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**AMENDMENT "B"**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 18, 1998. The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by November 18, 1998, and this response is being submitted within that time period. Please enter the following claim amendments and remarks into the record for this application.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7 and 23 as follows.

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